



Eric Newman <[REDACTED]>

A request

4 messages

Sat, Jan 29, 2011 at 3:20 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

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Thanks so much. In return I'll send you a snow shovel.

Best regards,
Phil Mossman

Elizabeth Hahn <[REDACTED]>

Mon, Jan 31, 2011 at 1:33 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Mossman,

Thank you for your email. I'm happy to try and assist you with your request.

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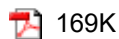
All the best,
Elizabeth

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Mon, Jan 31, 2011 at 3:18 PM

To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]

Hello Eric:

The ANS had the catalogue and the page has been downloaded. It has the name "Murray" penciled in as though he/she were the buyer. Also it speaks as though the *Historical Magazine* of that current month has some information. I have no idea what the publication is - but I bet Lou Jordan can find it! I'll ask.

Best,
Phil

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From: Elizabeth Hahn <[REDACTED]>
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Bcc:
Date: Mon, 31 Jan 2011 13:33:09 -0500
Subject: Re: A request
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to: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

Mon, Jan 31, 2011 at 8:21 PM

In a message dated 1/31/2011 6:03:36 P.M. Eastern Standard Time,
[REDACTED] writes:

I thank you very much for your Noe 12 help and shall I thank Ms. Hahn directly?

I have thanked her but you may if you wish.
Phil

EVOLUTIONARY TOKENS.—Continued.

rev. "The beginning of oppression," cop.
20.
; rev. "British justice displayed," cop.
; rev. pastoral scene, 1790, copper, proof, 20.
ht, "We ne'er shall look upon his like
rev. very curious device, copper, proof, 20.
; rev. satirical map of France, copper,
and Gibbs and trial by jury," "Magna
Bill of Rights," copper, fine and rare, 20.

COLONIALS.

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tion the N. E. Threepence was recently dis-
covered in very fine condition, and guaranteed to be
extremely rare.
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and like it, warranted genuine.
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and very fine.
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fine.
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very fine.
Shilling, 1652, very curious, not easily des-
cribed variety.
Shilling, 1652, with very few branches, small
good condition, and a scarce variety.
Shilling, 1652, a splendid impression of a
remarkable type, but of doubtful genuineness.
Shilling, 1652, legend, *Massachusetts*, large
fine and extremely rare.

COLONIALS.—Continued.

Price.

- \$6.00 2467. Pine Tree Shilling, 1652, tree very slender, branches
commencing high up on the trunk, legend *Masachusetts*, in the legend, New England, the N's are re-
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scarcely ever seen so fine. *do*

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Eric Newman <[REDACTED]>

Me again

1 message

Mon, Jan 31, 2011 at 8:41 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Dear Ms. Hahn:

Eric and I were delighted with your research! Thank you so much! Our other colleague, Louis Jordan, has access to the quoted article in the *Historical Magazine*.

Chris Salmon's forthcoming book on Massachusetts silver and my book on counterfeits have sparked our interest in the so-called Noe-12 which some believe is a contemporaneous counterfeit - but that has not been proven. I found that a Mr. John Warren bought the residual Mass silver when the original hoard was dispersed in 1840 and we are trying to link it up to the Woodward Sale. Eric would like very much to have p. 125 from the sale to see all the other Castine coins that were in the auction - if that is not too much trouble.

Now I think we should ask Ms. Hahn for full page 125 of the same auction sale because another pine tree shilling is listed (in part) as being from the Castine deposit. This shows that Castine pieces were tied to the sale

By the way - it sounds as though you'll need that snow shovel after all!

Sincerely yours,
Phil Mossman



Eric Newman <[REDACTED]>

Re: Another thought

2 messages

Elizabeth Hahn <[REDACTED]>

Tue, Feb 1, 2011 at 4:29 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Mossman,

Please find attached a pdf of the title page and pages 124-125 of the catalog. I glanced through the pages and it looks like the only other Castine reference was in lot 2460.

Please let me know if there is anything else I might be able to assist you with. Good luck with the snow this week!

All the best,
Elizabeth

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[REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>
To: [REDACTED]

Tue, Feb 1, 2011 at 5:15 PM

What fast service!
Phil

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Cc: [REDACTED]
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REVOLUTIONARY TOKENS.—Continued.

Price.	
\$0.30 2450.	Obv. same; rev. "The beginning of oppression," copper, proof, 20.
25 2451.	J. H. Tooke; rev. "British justice displayed," copper, 18.
30 2452.	Bust of Fox; rev. pastoral scene, 1790, copper, proof, 20.
30 2453.	Bust to right, "We ne'er shall look upon his like again;" rev. very curious device, copper, proof, 20.
35 2454.	Earl Howe; rev. satirical map of France, copper, fine, 19.
30 2455.	"Erskine and Gibbs and trial by jury," "Magna Charta," "Bill of Rights," copper, fine and rare, 20.

COLONIALS.

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3.00 2459.	Pine Tree Shilling, 1652, different tree, large planchet, unusually fine.
3.00 2460.	Pine Tree Shilling, 1652, from the Castine deposit, very fine.
3.25 2461.	Pine Tree Shilling, 1652, small size, unusually fine.
3.00 2462.	Pine Tree Shilling, 1652, tree broad, with straight branches, very fine.
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Castine, Maine

5 messages

Thu, Feb 3, 2011 at 9:12 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Dear Ms.Hahn:

You have been extremely helpful to Phil Mossman and to me as to the Castine Hoard of coins found in 1841. I have worked on this matter on and off for half a century and thank you for your prompt and kind cooperation. You located by happenstance more than was requested You have called upon serendipity to help us, When we asked for a specific lot in the Woodward auction sale of October 1863 you sent the proper page 125 and your copy machine included the right half of page 124. By luck I glanced at that right half and out bounced the word Castine and I had a shock .I wondered what it referred to and asked Phil to get the full page. You did that and lot 2469 was another Pine Tree shilling from the Castine hoard. I realized it was a choice Pine Tree piece from the same hoard and bringing \$3 at auction was not as exciting as the enormous amount of \$6 brought by lot 2467 when other Pine Tree shillings in the same sale brought \$1.

Due to this new data I now wonder whether any other coins in the sale came from the Castine Hoard. The Hoard's published records indicated that the hoard contained silver pieces of large size from Spanish colonies in America, from Portugal and from France. Would you be nice enough to inspect the catalog to see if any such foreign pieces are said to have come from the Castine Hoard? If that is too much to ask please say so. I look forward to meeting you. Eric P. Newman. .

Elizabeth Hahn <[REDACTED]>

Fri, Feb 4, 2011 at 12:34 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Newman,

I am happy to help when I can!

I took a look through the entire Woodward sale again, scanning for any other Castine references. I did not see any more, other than the ones already discovered on pp. 124-125.

Good luck with the rest of your research and if there is anything else I might be able to assist you with, please do not hesitate to ask.

All the best,
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Elizabeth Hahn <[REDACTED]>

Fri, Feb 4, 2011 at 4:49 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Newman,

Please find attached the requested scan of lot 1598 from the Woodward sale of December 19, 1865. Again, I looked for other Castine references, but did not see any.

Have a nice weekend!

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To: [REDACTED]

Mon, Feb 7, 2011 at 4:42 PM

Dear Elizabeth :
December 1865 Woodward material. It is very helpful Because there is other Massachusetts silver coinage on the prior page to the one you were kind enough to send I believe I might need that prior page (page 60) at your convenience.
Eric

Thank you for the

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Elizabeth Hahn <

To: [REDACTED]

Wed, Feb 9, 2011 at 2:01 PM

Dear Mr. Newman,

Please find attached here the pdf of the prior page (page 60) as requested.

All the best,
Elizabeth

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1594 Pine Tree Shilling, 1652; letters on the obv. still smaller than the last; fine and a very rare variety.

1595 Pine Tree Shilling, 1652; small tree, large dots in the circle, very fine.

1596 Pine Tree Shilling, 1652, "Massachusetts," an unusually fine specimen of this rare variety.

1597 Pine Tree Shilling, 1652; tree tall and slender in all its parts, a rare kind.

1598 Pine Tree Shilling, 1652; tall slender tree; inscription "Massachusetts;" the rev. has peculiarities scarcely less noticeable. Having never seen or heard of a similar one, I think this shilling may be unique.

1599 Pine Tree Shilling, 1652; tree with branches widely spread and far apart, very good.

1600 Pine Tree Shilling, 1652; small, close tree, fine.

1601 Pine Tree Sixpence, 1652; very good, scarce.

1602 Pine Tree Sixpence, 1652; not equal to the last.

1603 Pine Tree Threepence, 1652; remarkably fine, uninjured by circulation.

1604 Pine Tree Threepence, 1652; if possible even finer than the last.

1605 Pine Tree Threepence, 1652; a variety, very fine.

1606 Pine Tree Threepence, 1652; small size.

1607 Pine Tree Threepence, 1652; not fine, but differs from either of the preceding.

1608 Oak Tree Shilling, 1652; large, and very fine.

1609 Oak Tree Shilling, 1652; nearly as fine as the last and a rarer variety.

1610 Oak Tree Shilling, 1652; fine and very rare variety, the tree being a shrub without a trunk.

1611 Oak Tree Shilling, 1652; very large planchet.

1612 Oak Tree Shilling, 1652; small round tree, trunk in three distinct parts.

1613 Oak Tree Shilling, 1652; tree of few branches, and very small, fine and a rare type.

1614 Oak Tree Shilling, 1852; tree nearly circular, in very fine condition.

1615 Oak Tree Shilling, 1652; tree with five large branches, fine.

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